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Re: U.S.A. vs. City of New York

Docket No.: 1:07-cv-02067

Dear Magistrate Mann:

Please be advised that the undersigned represent the Uniformed Firefighters Association (UFA), the union that is the exclusive bargaining agent for New York City firefighters.

On July 11, 2007, we filed a motion on behalf of the UFA seeking leave to intervene in this action pursuant to Rule 24 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Based upon the briefing schedule approved by the Court, all papers on that motion will not be submitted until July 26, 2007.

We are advised that you have scheduled a conference in this matter to take place on Tuesday, July 24, 2007, at 11:00 a.m.

I respectfully request that we be permitted to attend the July 24, 2007 conference, even though there will be no decision on the intervention motion by that time. My hope would be that the UFA could then participate in discovery proceedings in a timely fashion if the intervention motion is granted.

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Please advise whether we may attend and participate in the July 24, 2007 conference.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully yours,

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